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## Next Meeting MARCH

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## ★ Club Events ★

MARCH: BOURSE NIGHT  
APRIL: JIMMY NORMANDY  
(White Metal  
Detector Dist)

March's meeting is the 22nd at 7:15p.m. at the Redwood  
Multi Purpose Center, 3100 South Redwood Road, SLC, UT.

## OTHER EVENTS

March 30, 31, April 1, 1990  
Northern Utah Coin Show  
Ogden, Utah

## ★ PRIZES ★

City Cash & Carry, Georgetown, TX, 5¢ in trade  
Lyric Bar & Cafe, SLC, UT, 6¼¢ in trade  
Park City, UT, 5¢ in trade  
Express Buffet, SLC, UT, 12½¢ in trade  
Butte Bar, Bingham, UT, 12½¢ in trade  
1986 NUTS Club Coin  
Cottonwood Dairy, SLC, UT, 1 QT Milk  
VF 1884-0 Morgan Silver Dollar

June 30, July 1, 1990  
SL Coin & Token Show





# FROM THE PRESIDENT

I've been building a new garage at our place and the nice weather has helped out, but that nice weather also makes me feel like I should be out detecting. I know some of the club members have already been out detecting with good results for their work. It seems like the members that have the most tokens and other finds are the same ones that you see out looking for them every chance they get.

A big "thank you" to Chuck Morris for his presentation on metal detectors at the February meeting. We appreciate him taking the time to enlighten the club members on the advantages of the newer machines. I would like to get Chuck to come back again and just talk about some of the out of the way places he has been out to on the west desert.

The March meeting is bourse nite. Bring your "traders" and "sellers", and update your collection.

The April meeting will feature White's Metal Detector distributor Jimmy (Sierra) Normandy. Thanks to Bob Campbell, we'll have the opportunity to listen to Mr. Normandy.

I would like to thank all of the club members and especially the officers and past officers for their help and suggestions each month. It really helps me when new ideas and reminders are given to me for the club meetings and outings each month. Without your help, I'd be in trouble.

BYRON





# A MESSAGE FROM YOUR VP

GREETINGS! A new year is upon us with the NUTS working to make your membership well worth the price, and to make any unfortunate members who have not yet renewed their membership cry in their now (emotionally) barren pocketbook (HINT - get those dues paid up!). It is \$9.00 individual or 2 oz. ag or one Frisco token for a family. What a bargain!

The highlight of February was the trip, Feb. 8-10 to the convention in Lost Wages, which is generally what happened to the club members because the Showboat hotel decided to renovate the main convention center and put the convention in a much smaller room. Of course, all the interesting dealers such as Columbus Industries lost their booth space. We can but hope for an improvement next year. The club made group reservations at the Western Hotel & Casino (the only casino with the penny slots) for \$17.25/room/night, which helped keep the costs down. Harry managed to break even on his table, Greg got some good Idaho tokens, & I hit the jackpot on the slots, which gave me enough pennies to buy 2 hot dogs. Ron was, at first, more fortunate. He met a guy in a trench coat who had a great deal on a gold ring. He managed to jive the guy down from \$250 to a mere \$120! He felt that he had a real bargain until he found that the 14k on the ring referred only to the gold plating & not the brass underneath it. The trouble with the school of hard knocks is the high tuition.

May you have better luck in your digs and all the rings you find be unmarked but solid gold.

## THE NUTS PICNIC

We made it! Copperton was all reserved but your trusted club officers managed to bribe our way into Fairmont Park on the fourth Thursday of August. Yes, now you can have the privilege of having a cookout at the same pavilion that the last club picnic was held at, so mark down Aug. 23 on your calendar & start planning what potluck goodies you want to share with the rest of the lucky attendees. This is the one event of the year where children are really welcome (please leave them home at the Christmas dinner, us single people want a better chance at the prizes).



NAME: B.P.O.E. ELKS 734 PARK CITY UTAH.

DESCRIPTION OF TOKEN IN COLLECTION.....6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ type.

OBVERSE: ELKS CLUB PARK CITY.734 in the center of token.  
\_\_ above 734 and a \_\_ below 734. A dashed border.

REVERSE: GOOD FOR 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ IN TRADE. The 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ appearing in the center.  
A dashed border. Token is 21MM in size and of brass metal.

DESCRIPTION OF TOKEN IN COLLECTION.....25¢ type.

OBVERSE: B.P.O.E. ELKS PARK CITY UTAH 734.

734 is found in the center of token.A \_\_ found under 734 .Also a \_\_ found under  
PARK CITY. A fancy filigree is noted on the right and left side of the border.  
A period(.) is found after B.P.O.  
Beaded border is noted the token is 28MM in size, and of AL. metal

REVERSE: GOOD FOR 25¢ IN TRADE. The 25¢ being in the center.  
Beaded border.

6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢...



25¢.....



DESCRIPTION OF TOKEN IN COLLECTION: .....50¢

OBVERSE: B.P.O.E. ELKS PARK CITY UTAH 734.

The 734 is found in the center.

A \_\_ under the 734 and \_\_ found above 734.

Fancy filigree noted on the left and right side, close to the border.

A beaded border is noted.

REVERSE: GOOD FOR 50¢ IN TRADE. The 50¢ found in the center.

A star(\*) before 50¢ and a star(\*) after 50¢.

Beaded border is found, and the token being 30MM in size, and of AL. metal

DESCRIPTION OF TOKEN IN COLLECTION: .....\$1.00

OBVERSE: B.P.O.E. ELKS PARK CITY UTAH 734.

The 734 is found in the Center.

A \_\_ is found above 734 and \_\_ is noted under the 734.

Also a \_\_ under PARK CITY.

A fancy filigree is found on the right and left side of the border.

REVERSE: GOOD FOR \$1.00 IN TRADE.

A \_\_ found above \$1.00 and a \_\_ under the \$1.00.

Beaded border, and the token being 35MM in size and of AL.metal

50¢.....



\$1.00 .....



REFERENCE: Park City Municipal Water Works(Bill " Collection Register)

In 1913, records show that the Park City Elks Home, is listed as the owner, of the building. (This being the first building North of Oblads Store). Same for year of 1914. Same for 1915..Same for 1916....Same for 1917....Same for 1918.....Same for 1919-1920. Same for 1921-1922....Same for 1923....Same for 1925....In 1927, OTTO STOBBE is listed as the owner.

Then in 1927, records indicate the B.P.O.E. ELKS HOME, was located one door north, of the Masonic Hall.

During the years that the Elk's owned the building, which would have been 438 and 440 Main Street, a confectionary operated by J.J. Fitzgerald was located in the lower half of the two story building, and later office space on the upper floors had been rented out.

REFERENCE: Park City Telephone Directories;

Starting with the May 1919 telephone book, the B.P.O.E. ELKS LODGE #734, is listed.

SPECIAL NOTE: In contacting the "old-timers" of the Elks Lodge, none of them did recall the time when the Elk's tokens had been used. Had asked many members, who had joined the Lodge back in the early 1920's. I feel that the tokens had been in use some time after the year of 1902, as this was the year of their Charter, and that they had stopped being used in 1917, when prohibition came into being.



## Castilla Hot Springs



# Pungent Odor and Ruins Mark Old-Time Resort



Near the highway in Spanish Fork Canyon, lies the ruins of the once famous pioneer resort whose development as a health resort in the late 1800s by Sid and Walter Southworth, was designed to help people with afflictions by bathing in its curative waters, a popular pastime of europeans, in sulphur-laden springs. Pleasure seekers arrived on excursion trains provided by the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, and family get togethers, church parties came to picnic and camp overnight. The warm springs were first discovered in 1776 by the Spanish explorers Escalante and Dominguez, and it has been suggested that the name "Castilla" had its origins from Spain. Construction of both an outdoor and indoor swimming pool, a three-story red sandstone hotel, a saloon, a dance pavilion, restarant, stores and private bath houses made it a very popular place. In the meadow across the railroad tracks, near the main springs, people enjoyed horseback riding, races, fishing, and baseball.

The resort ran into financial difficulty in 1911 and controlling interest was sold to the famous Utah sculptor, Cyrus E Dallin. Under the management of one of his relatives, the resort was popular until the 1920s, when the hotel was renovated and was a frequent stop for overnight travelers between Provo and Price. In 1924 a special type of sand was found behind the resort, and the mining of this caused the resort to slowly fail and fall into disuse by the late 1930s. In the early 1940s, a hobo built a fire in the middle of the ballroom and as a result destroyed the hotel beyond restoration.

No known tokens have been heard of that we could record as a Society, but I suspect that not much research has been done on this and other collectibles that were from this piece of Utahs history. This could be a good place to visit as a club, as one of our future outings.



A tin plate used by printers at the turn of the century was found there a few years ago. This plate as shown below was of a type that is today considered scarce and the information referred to is very rare. It is, I believe, a printers plate that was used to print a store card that referred to "Castilla Hot Springs."

Although the metal plate has laid in the ground for a long time, the information is still readable as follows:

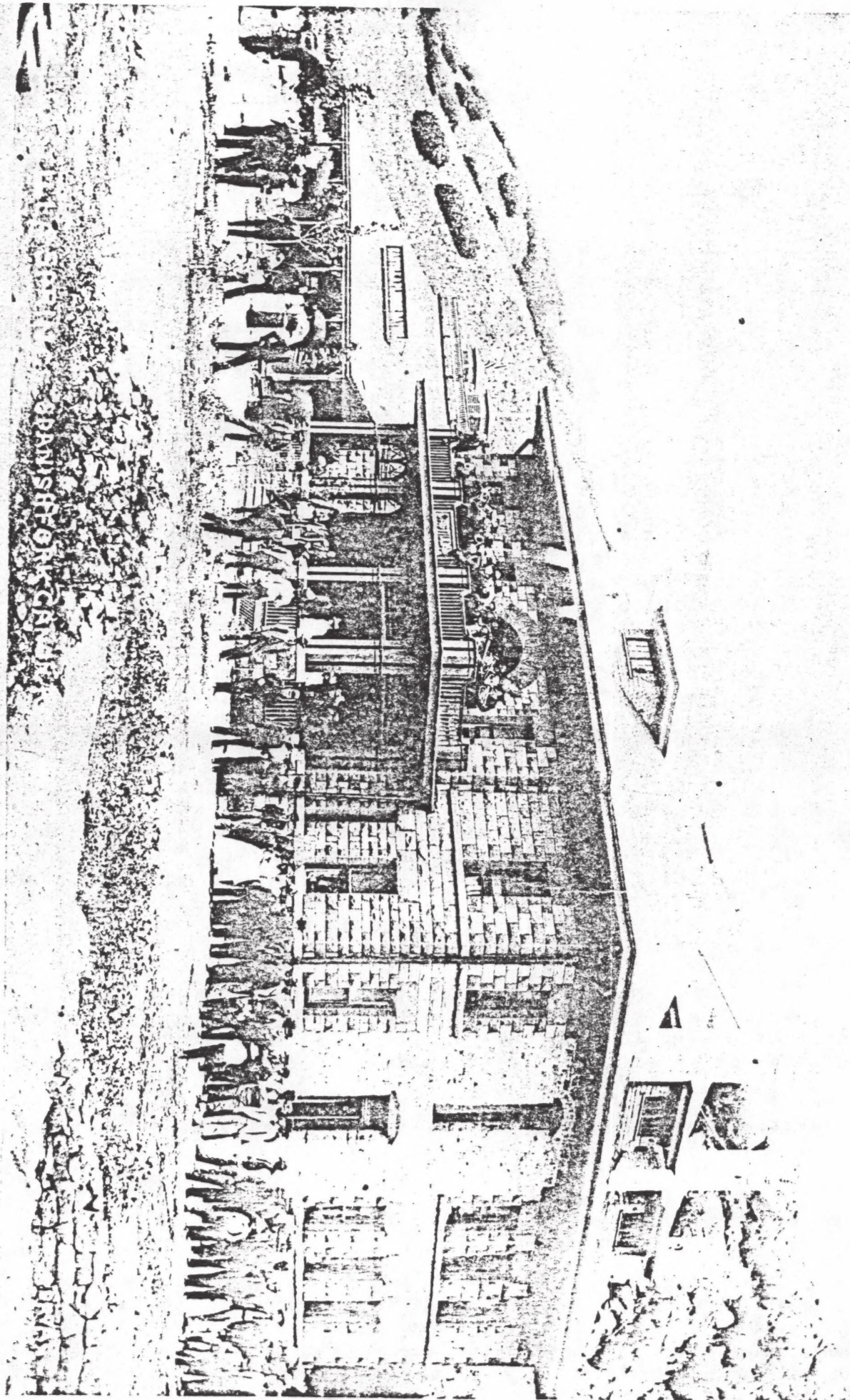
Castilla Hot Springs } J. Myers lessee & manager  
Castilla, Utah } 57 State Street  
Tel 703 Salt Lake City, Utah.



Reverse has a calendar dated 1904. Note: the name and address of Mr Myers was quoted as sponsors.



Savage,

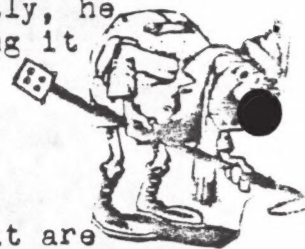


Salt Lake



(I found this article in an old newsletter, it was so great, I thought I would reprint it. Hope you don't mind Bruce.)

Bruce Robinson has a fine talent for writing. Recently, he sent me this article to put in our bulletin. After reading it I'm sure you'll agree.



**METAL DETECTORITIS**  
(Scientific Name: Badus Springae Feveritis)

- SYMPTOMS:** Victim stares our windows with eyes that are glazed over. Victim's only response to questions directed to him is, "Beep-beep-beep". If victim's symptoms have progressed to the point that he has clean fingernails, immediate treatment is necessary!
- FIRST AID:** Let patient go out with a metal detector. This is only a temporary cure and symptoms will re-appear within a year.
- PERMANENT CURE:** There are several cures, and in severe cases, every cure may need to be used.
1. Take victim 60 miles from the nearest town. Direct him to hike with metal detector, (the heavier, the better), 10 miles over rocks, steep grades, and cactus thorns, to never before searched ghost town. (Don't tell patient that the batteries in his detector are dead).
  2. Tell patient about good area to search to find many pre-1900 gold and silver coins. Take patient to spot and see many people swinging detectors. Make sure patient notices the people are smiling and that their pockets are bulging. "Accidentally" break the on-off switch as you hand the detector to patient. (You might also be advised to wear a hard hat while helping with this cure!!)
  3. Give patient treasure map to buried cache of gold coins. Patient will follow map and find a new high-rise apartment building has been constructed on top of hiding place.
  4. Supply patient with a lead to Mormon Gold coin cache. Patient will then spend several months (and hundreds of hours) researching, verifying, and pin-pointing location. Two days prior to patient recovering cache, have a fellow N.U.T.S. member tell how he accidentally found this cache of Mormon Gold coins while digging worms for a fishing trip.

If the pre-mentioned cures fail to produce any positive results, the malady has progressed beyond the stage of being treatable, (without moving to a warmer climate!) All you can do in this case is hope for an early spring thaw and apply the previously mentioned first aid.

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**SALDURO**

Salduro, the potash town with 200 inhabitants, was built 86 miles west of Tooele City and 12 miles east of the famous Bonneville race track. When it ceased to be profitable to extract potash from salt the Salduro plant was dismantled and abandoned. The skeleton remains--gaunt and desolate along the highway. It was completely wiped out by fire in 1944.



# N. U. T. S. MEMBERSHIP FORM



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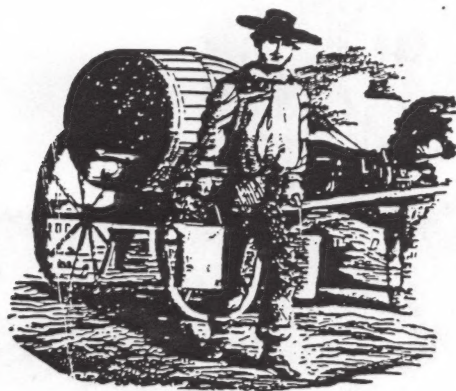
PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL INTERESTS: \_\_\_\_\_

SEND TO: 1123 East 2100 So.  
Salt Lake City, Ut. 84106

MEMBERSHIP DUES: If you haven't paid your 1990 dues, be sure to send them in or pay at the February meeting. It is quite a bargain considering the Token Hunter and all of the other club benefits. The 1990 dues are \$9.00 for single membership and \$13.00 for families.

## CLASSIFIEDS



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